

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Shiki et al.



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For: SEMICONDUCTOR MANUFACTURING DEVICE

Honorable Commissioner of Patents
Alexandria, VA 22313 - 1450

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 8, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Claims 1-20 are all the claims presently pending in the application. Claims 1-2 and 6 are amended to more clearly define the invention and claims 7-20 are added. Claims 1-2 and 6-7 are independent.

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